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In Reply Refer To: UT-040 3809: UTU-80276

October 1, 2002

Mr. O.Jay Gatten, President North American Mine Services, Inc. 472 North Main Kaysville, Utah 84037

Re: Proposed Permit Amendment, Basin Perlite's Large Mine Permit M/001/027

Dear Mr. Gatten:

In recent discussions with the field office resources staff on the Schoo Mine proposal, the issue arose of monitoring and control of noxious weeds within the areas proposed for disturbance. It would expedite the preparation of the environmental assessment for the proposal if Basin Perlite would submit a letter (or FAX) to this office indicating they are amending the proposed mine plan to include the following statement:

Basin Perlite will monitor all disturbed project areas located on BLM land and will be responsible to control any occurrences of noxious weeds (these being weeds that are currently listed as noxious under the Beaver County weed control plan) within the disturbed areas of the project.

Alternatively, the issue could be discussed in the environmental assessment and identified as a stipulation of plan approval.

Please feel free to give me a call at 435-865-3040, if you have any questions or concerns with the above guidance.

Sincerely

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